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THE EVENING STAR - DAILY NEWS: DAVID LAWRENCE THINKS THE UNITED STATES HAS A PARTICULAR OBLIGATION TO SUPPORT A MOVEMENT TO DO AWAY WITH ALL NUCLEAR WEAPONS BECAUSE IT DROPPED AN ATOMIC BOMB DURING WARTIME. IT WOULD GAIN CONSIDERABLE SUPPORT IF IT TOOK THE INITIATIVE TO SEEK AN AGREEMENT AMONG NUCLEAR POWERS TO ABOLISH SUCH WEAPONS.

ANDREW BOROWIEC REPORTS THAT THE CURRENT CHILL IN SOVIET-EGYPTIAN RELATIONSLUO FAR HAS NOT AFFECTED SOVIET ECONOMIC AID, WHICH IS EXPECTED TO DOMINATE THE EGYPTIAN ECONOMIC SCENE FOR SOME TIME. THERE HAVE BEEN NO MOVES TO TERMINATE SOVIET ECONOMIC PRESENCE, THE CORNERSTONE OF EGYPT'S DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM.

ACCORDING TO RAY CROMLEY, "CONTACTS" IN BANGKOK SAY THAT THE SITUATION IN THAILAND IS GRADUALLY DETERIORATING. THE MILITARY GOVERNMENT IS INDECISIVE AND THE COMMUNIST UNDERGROUND SPONSORED BY PEKING AND HANOI IS NOW TAKING HESITANT ROOT IN CENTRAL THAILAND AS WELL AS IN THE FAR NORTH, NORTHEAST, AND SOUTHWEST. HIGH NIXON ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS PRIVATELY PREDICT THAT IF THE UNDERGROUND CONTINUES TO GROW AT THE PRESENT RATE, WITHIN

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FOUR AND A HALF TO FIVE YEARS THAILAND WILL HAVE A FULL BLOWN INSURGENCY COMPARABLE TO THE EARLIER DAYS IN VIETNAM.

THE UNITED STATES AND THE SOVIET UNION HAVE AGREED TO HOLD THE NEXT ROUND OF SALT TALKS IN GENEVA, PROBABLY IN OCTOBER.

THE 14TH GAME OF THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP CHESS MATCH WAS POSTPONED UNTIL TUESDAY AFTER BORIS SPASSKY REQUESTED A DELAY FOR "MEDICAL REASONS."

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